

Minutes of a Regular Town Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead at Riverhead Town Hall, 200 Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, December 18, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Philip Cardinale,	Supervisor
Edward Densieski,	Councilman
George Bartunek,	Councilman
Barbara Blass,	Councilwoman
John Dunleavy,	Councilman

Also Present:

Barbara Grattan,	Town Clerk
Dawn Thomas,	Town Attorney

Supervisor Cardinale: "We'll start. Mr. Densieski will be here. I don't want to go there. Cablevision is ready to go, right? Okay, we'd like to begin with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mitch, why don't you lead us?"

(At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Mitch Friedman.)

Okay. I'd like to call for any announcements or committee reports."

Councilwoman Blass: "I have one brief announcement, Mr. Supervisor. I guess it comes in the department proud of our students. The Riverhead Varsity cheerleaders this weekend took home a second place trophy. They were in competition in Danbury, Ct. But more importantly they scored high enough to receive a bid to compete in the Nationals in Florida in February. So I wanted to wish them luck and acknowledge their accomplishment."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. I guess I should mention also as I promised I would. Last night I was at home and I received a call and I said, oh, geez, what did we screw up now, from a constituent, a senior citizen. And I hope one of my department heads from Seniors is here.

But she was actually calling to say how wonderful the staff as at the Senior Christmas Party which was at the Vineyards this past weekend and how they were patient and kind and skillful and just plain nice to a lot of the seniors, many of whom had mobility issues, and helping them in and out of the party. And that they made them feel as if they were well cared for and much cared about.

So do you want to indicate what this hearing is about?"

Dawn Thomas: "Yeah, other than that, I don't think I can add anything. We are cleaning up the code and deleting some of those chapters that- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Pre-master plan?"

Dawn Thomas: "Correct. And we just recently did this with the moratorium chapter which was part of the code so it's basically just maintenance."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Anybody want to comment nonetheless? You're free to do that. And we're here to hear it."

It is not surprising that no one does so not observing anyone wishing to comment, I'll call this public hearing opened at 7:15, closed at 7:16. I'm going to leave all hearings tonight open until the 21st at the close of business Friday if anybody wants to make a written comment."

Public hearing closed: 7:16
Left open for written comment to
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Supervisor Cardinale: "The second hearing is scheduled for 7:10. It being 7:16, we can commence it."

Public hearing opened: 7:16 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "And it addresses an increase and improvements of the facilities of the sewer district for the replacement of the belt filter press. We have our engineer from H2M and our department head, Michael Reichel, sewer department head. Carry on."

Frank Russo: "Let's see. The product that's produced by the treatment plant is the term sludge. That's 99 and 1/2% water. The belt filter press is the device that takes the water out of the solids."

The problem is that the existing belt filter press is 20 years old and it just doesn't work that well.

Back in February, 2006, a map and plan was presented at a project cost of \$750,000.00. Annual savings was projected at \$95,000. And

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with an eight year pay back period for the project, for the entire project.

October 30, 2006, the town authorized H2M to start the project. On April, 2007, bids were received for the supply of the belt filter press, not the installation. The bid amount for the belt filter press was \$493,380. That was awarded to Carmine Sanderson (phonetic), a very reputable, qualified manufacturer.

The map and plan amount was \$255,000 for a difference of \$138,000 between the two.

The reasons for that were essentially the 13 month period that elapsed between the map and plan and the bid. As you all know, the fuel costs, gasoline pricing, the costs for raw materials and the transportation of those raw materials which is compounded upon one another.

Also, there was some work that was anticipated to be done by the sewer district. As we were doing the design, we realized that that was not practical. That we reverted back to having the contractor do that work. It was just a matter of practicality.

And there was some minor conceptual changes that were made along the way as well that increased some costs. And there were some spare parts that were ordered as part of that contract.

On October 11, 2007, just recently, two bids were received for the installation of that belt filter press. The low bid was \$319,000 which was \$8,000 lower than the second bidder. So it was a good, solid bid.

The low bidder is also responsible and qualified to undertake this project as well.

The installation contract was \$81,000 under the budget carried in the map and plan. So, therefore, the overall budget overrun was \$52,000.00 as compared to the map and plan amount.

The project is shared between the Riverhead Sewer District and the Scavenger Waste District. The Riverhead Sewer District, the tax rate projected the map and plan was .541 dollars per thousand dollars of assessed value. Now because of the increase, it would increase to .548 which is approximately a penny increase.

The Scavenger Waste District was projected a map and plan at three dollars— .312 dollars per thousand. It's now .315 which is again approximately a penny.

And so we're asking that the budget be increased by \$52,000."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. And any questions?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Mr. Russo, does that bring the total estimated cost to \$802,380 which was advertised?"

Frank Russo: "Yes, it does."

Councilwoman Blass: "Okay, thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Any member of the board have any other question?"

The bid that went over, what was that for?"

Frank Russo: "That was for the actual unit. It's the size of a truck essentially and that's the unit that actually does the de-watering of the sludge. We bid that separately from the installation contract to save money because if we would have included it in the installation contract, that contractor would have added on 15% on that- on top of that. So we do that as a matter of cost savings."

Supervisor Cardinale: "But you indicated that the cost of petroleum and- made that bid higher. How come?"

Frank Russo: "Well, because of the transportation costs. The factory that assembles the unit, it's a manufactured piece of equipment. They ship in their raw materials, they fabricate them and manufacture them. That was just one component of the cost increase. As I said, there were three other impacts as well, that being just one of them."

Supervisor Cardinale: "How many bids?"

Frank Russo: "On that one, there was only one bidder."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, how- and what was the bid?"

Frank Russo: "Three hundred and ninety three thousand dollars."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Is there any particular reason why we only got one bid on a big contract?"

Frank Russo: "Yes. The manufacturer is equipment that is similarly manufactured- the plant currently has some other equipment manufactured by this vendor which allows them to interchange spare parts. You call the factory, they know you. There is- if you try to standardize, that's typically good practice in wastewater treatment."

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Supervisor Cardinale: "But this is not a single supplier, right?"

Frank Russo: "No. No."

Supervisor Cardinale: "So would you- does anybody evaluated whether we should re-bid to try to get more than one bid on a \$400,000 item?"

Frank Russo: "That contract has already been awarded. It's been fabricated and they've been paid about 85% of the- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Oh, you mean that's already done?"

Frank Russo: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "You're only talking about the installation?"

Frank Russo: "That's correct."

Supervisor Cardinale: "So why are you making me feel bad about that? Is this just about the installation?"

Frank Russo: "Well, what I'm trying to say is that the total project was over by \$52,000- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. So you're coming back on this bid. You were over 150 on the first one but you got 90 back on this one. I get it, okay. But I can't do anything about the first one anymore?"

Frank Russo: "No."

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right. I understand. Anybody have any other questions? If not, I'm going to note that it's 7:22 and that the hearing began at 7:16; keep it open for written comment until close of business, 4:30, on the 21st. And I thank you."

Public hearing closed: 7:22 p.m.
Left open for 10 days until 4:30 on
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Supervisor Cardinale: "The third hearing is the 7:15 hearing and it being 7:22, we can commence it."

Public hearing opened: 7:22 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "For the consideration of a local law to amend Chapter 108 Article VIII regarding accessory apartments.

This hearing was held some— a month or two back. We got comments, we utilized those comments to make— put together some amendments which I think makes this a stronger ordinance, and we'd like to take comment from anyone who wishes to make comment about the presently proposed accessory apartment ordinance. We will take any verbal comment this evening. I'll keep this open until Friday, at 4:30, for written comment. And we have some verbal comment right now."

Shirley Coverdale: "Shirley Coverdale and I represent LION and I'll just read to you. I have copies for each of you.

Supervisor Cardinale and Members of the Riverhead Town Board:

As representatives of LION/Riverhead, we support the proposed amendments to the Riverhead town code zoning Chapter 108 which would enable Riverhead residents to legally rent out part of their homes as accessory apartments.

As we've stated in repeated discussions with town officials and in formal testimony before the town board, we see many potential benefits of accessory housing, including:

Enabling Riverhead to better meet its workforce housing needs - particularly for individuals and families who cannot afford to buy homes;

Offering financially squeezed home owners a way to supplement their incomes;

Providing an additional strategy for the town to implement housing goals, one that does not necessitate additional construction and can be developed relatively quickly.

In reviewing the most recent draft of the legislation, we are very happy to see two changes which greatly strengthen the program:

1. Allowing the home owner to rent out either the main residence or the smaller apartment.
2. Establishing an amnesty period to encourage owners who currently rent out part of their homes to transition to legal status.

We appreciate your responsiveness to concerns raised at your November hearing and urge you to view this program as a work in progress.

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By the end of its first year of operation, we believe both the town and the community will be in a better position to assess the workability of the current program.

We hope by this time next year a progress report can be made which will enable this body to fine tune its approach.

For LION/Riverhead and representing: Rev. Charles A. Coverdale, First Baptist Church, President; Rev. Marvin Dozier, Unity Baptist Church; Michele Lynch, SEIU 1199; Rev. A. Charles McElroy, Friendship Baptist Church; Sister Margaret Smyth, North Fork Apostolate; Mardythe O. DiPirro and Peter Saros, Peconic Community Council; Rev. Led Baxter, Olde Steeple Community Church.

Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Shirley. Yes, we have other comment. We'd be glad to take that at this time. Come forth, please."

Sal Diliberto: "Sal Diliberto (phonetic), Manor Lane in Jamesport. And I apologize because I wasn't here at the first meeting so if there's anything that's redundant.

But in reading through the law, the question I seem to have was do we really need an accessory apartment review board? It seems to be redundant in that the building department is going to have to receive and approve applications for the apartments and I guess give a pre-approval to them being occupied.

It seems that the accessory apartment review board has discretion and I don't see that there's any objective criteria in the law for them to exercise this discretion. It says things like they may require this or that from a homeowner.

If a homeowner does put— and I'm in full support of the law, but if a homeowner does make a substantial investment to either create an apartment for a child or elderly parent or whatever, then they go to sell the property, it seems that the accessory apartment review board is going to have the power to either approve or disapprove the continuation of that accessory apartment permit.

And I'm wondering why we would allow the board to have that kind of authority. Once it's approved by the town, whether it's by the building department or the accessory apartment review board, I can't see any reason why anyone at a future date should be allowed to come back and say this cannot be occupied any longer as an accessory apartment."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I can tell you that those issues were discussed at some length during the drafting of the statute and the consensus came out where we are.

The existence of a review board was discussed at some length. I think initially we weren't going to have one but we decided to have it for reasons that basically are set forth in the statute. That we wanted someone to look at the site at which this apartment was going to be built, make sure of the parking and make sure the other criteria.

I had actually the reverse opinion than you. I wanted to make sure there wasn't a great deal of discretion. That it was an administrative board, and I really think if you look carefully at that, that it really is an administrative board.

They don't have the right to deny unless they fail to meet the criteria that is set forth in the statute and this isn't just vague discretion if you look carefully- "

Sal Diliberto: "I didn't see any real objective criteria for the review board."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, there isn't much because their function is relatively limited. To make sure the parking is adequate and- "

Sal Diliberto: "Why can't that be handled by the building department? Doesn't the building department normally handle that in terms of any other application? For any kind of structure that would require a certificate of occupancy, doesn't the building department- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Because- I think because the board felt, and I'm not necessarily- I was- I may have been in the minority on this but I can tell you that the thinking was that this is not unlike site plan. A building permit is one thing but when you're talking about the site itself, and you're talking about enforcing criteria about this particular department, they thought a review board was a good idea."

Sal Diliberto: "We are talking residential and we are talking areas where the building department was going to issue a permit for construction, they would require that there be certain parking requirements, and I'm just wondering why we need another level of bureaucracy. These are going to be paid individuals and I'm wondering why we need another level of paid bureaucracy to handle this."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Actually, they may not be paid and one of the criteria that led the majority of the board to go this route was that Brookhaven and Southampton also- Brookhaven has a review

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board and their recommendation was that it was necessary for the reasons I've outlined. I think actually I resisted it initially but the consensus was that we needed it."

Sal Diliberto: "So is it possible that the building department would approve a plan for the construction, for example, of an accessory apartment but the accessory apartment review board would deny the permit?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I think you go to the accessory apartment review board before you go to the building department."

Sal Diliberto: "Can you do that?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. I mean, that's what's going to happen. They're going to— you're going to make application to the review board."

Sal Diliberto: "But without knowing whether or not the structure can be legally constructed in a manner subject to, for example, fire laws, etc., without knowing that which I'm assuming that the building department would give their approval on that, without knowing that, you can go to the— "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. Because the approval out of the review board says subject to all the building department approvals. You can't— if you can't address the safety concerns consistent with state statute, you're not going to get a building permit. You will get review board permit."

Sal Diliberto: "Is there any way to combine it with— I mean when you're talking about site plan approval, can we combine it with the planning board or the planning department so that we don't have the redundancy once again. If it's really just a question of site plan, is there any reason why we can't allow them to review the site plan rather than a separate agency, another level of government?"

And beyond that, we already have in the town a group that review permits for any rentals, am I correct, on structures, structures erected? Is this somehow going to be combined into that office or will that— will the accessory apartment review board take over those responsibilities? Or will we have one group that actually oversees the rental of one family dwellings, for example, and another group that's going to oversee the rental or the issuance of permits for the rental of an accessory apartment?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "The accessory apartment— first of all, that's an enforcement— "

Sal Diliberto: "Correct."

Supervisor Cardinale: "-- that you're talking about. This is a permitting bureau."

Sal Diliberto: "But they also have the right— now it says that the building department is going to have the right to inspect. Initially, and then from time to time, but the building department could have the right to inspect these accessory apartments. Am I correct, for code enforcement?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "As with every other apartment. Yes."

Sal Diliberto: "Right. So, once again, this is— we already have a group that does that. Is it going to be the same group that's doing that that will do this on the accessory apartments?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. I don't think there's going to be any change in that."

I will consider your points, but what I think the point of it was, if you watch the work sessions you would know. This was something that was much discussed."

Sal Diliberto: "I apologize, I didn't."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And I think actually there was some disagreement of the board on it. And incidentally as Rev. Coverdale and others who have spoken, this is a consensus approach to the statute. We need to pass it and we need three votes, so unless we had three votes to go forward and we didn't as I recall unless we use the review board."

Sal Diliberto: "One last comment was I believe that as a part of the town code that people who rent seasonally are not subject to obtaining permits for the rentals— people who rent seasonally."

Supervisor Cardinale: "They do need permits under the rental law. They may not get them, but they do need them. I think—"

Sal Diliberto: "Even if you are a seasonal renter? In other words, I mean I'm not talking about this code."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I understand what you're saying. As I understand cabins are— seasonal cabins, there still are some in this town and such are required to get rental permits. Don't they give them a break on it in fact? Is there an adjustment because it's not a full year? Yeah, they do get them and they do get a break on them. It's not a full year rental."

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Sal Diliberto: "And I guess my question was is that going to apply also to these accessory apartments?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "We'll certainly consider it. Thank you. Yes."

Leroy Barnes: "I would just like to make a point. When we were talking about the accessory apartment law, one of the important things about having a board is in case there are unruly tenants and the accessory apartment board could or does or should have the power to revoke those permits when it gets out of control in the neighborhood, and I think that's why they wanted that. They didn't want an administrative person to deal with that. You should have a review board."

And when you do apply for your accessory apartment permit, you are going to be required to notify your neighbors and I'm quite sure there will be a hearing involved but those are details that will have to be worked out after the law is adopted."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That was Leroy Barnes, our building department head, in case you did not know."

Okay. Anybody else want to make a comment on this?"

Councilwoman Blass: "I have a question."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes?"

Councilwoman Blass: "For the planning director."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Rick Hanley, our planning director."

Councilwoman Blass: "Rick, when we were first considering this law, it was to provide only for the rental or the accessory apartment had to be one room, excuse me, and the owner had to live in the principal dwelling. And this has since been modified to provide for the owner to be able to occupy the apartment and have the primary residence available as a rental to a family."

Rick Hanley: "That's correct."

Councilwoman Blass: "In the worst case scenario that the old 500 accessory apartment permits are issued and all 500 owners occupy the apartments, we could conceivably have 500 new families in this area or wherever these units are provided."

Rick Hanley: "I would say that that's true."

Councilwoman Blass: "Do you believe that you have analyzed sufficiently the impacts of having a 500 single unit- by that I mean a single room addition as opposed to having 500 additional families in these various residence districts?"

Rick Hanley: "That's kind of a difficult analysis, I think Barbara, in that I think the point of the community was that they wanted an ability for the owner of a single family residence to be able to stay in the community by living in the apartment.

If, in fact, we didn't allow that, certainly they would be able to sell that building to any family they desired so I don't know that there would be a net different effect at all."

Councilwoman Blass: "But the concept of this being for transitional housing which is a term I never really understood anyway, is not really the same concept any longer with the way this is currently written."

Rick Hanley: "I think that the reason we made the change in the code was because of commentary heard at the hearing to allow the owner of a single family residence that no longer needs three or four bedrooms to be able to move into the apartment and rent the principal part of the building."

Councilwoman Blass: "Right, okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And the transitional- in either event, the apartment would be serving a transitional housing need which is generally speaking, younger individuals or couples or older individuals or couples. The older individual or couple would move into the apartment. That would be the transitional housing."

Rick Hanley: "That's true."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And the remaining portion of the house would be used by whoever they rented it to."

Rick Hanley: "Right. And if we- just to make my point again, if we didn't allow that, that owner could, in fact, sell that property, leave the community. You would still have the effect of the family in the principal residence."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Ultimately you're going to have an increase of one room-- one bedroom- "

Rick Hanley: "One bedroom- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "And three to six hundred square feet of occupancy."

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Rick Hanley: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Either way."

Rick Hanley: "Right."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Any other questions? Any other comments?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Thank you, Rick."

Supervisor Cardinale: "If not, I'm going to leave this open until the 21st at close of business for written comment and we'll consider it at our next meeting."

Public hearing closed: 7:37 p.m.
Left open to 4:30 p.m. on December
21, 2007 for written comment

Supervisor Cardinale: "Is- there is a, I think a final hearing unless I lost count. And we'd like to commence that, if I can find it."

Public hearing opened: 7:38 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "The consideration of a special use permit of Peconic Line-X for the operation of a motor vehicle repair facility. It's now 7:38 and let's commence that hearing having closed the other at 7:37.

Is there an applicant here that would like to present this?
Would you come up to the- "

Travis Keller: "Travis Keller, owner of Peconic Line-X. Applying for a special use permit to operate out of the facility on 1187 East Main Street.

It's not really an automotive repair. It's more of accessory retail sales. We install stuff, different bolt on accessories to pickups and I was told I need a special use for that because of the zone. So that's why I applied."

Supervisor Cardinale: "What's the special use permit required here, do you know? Would you take a look at it?"

I think you sell things that have to be bolted in and that leads you to a repair shop- "

Travis Keller: "Yeah."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay, that's what I understood. It's business center zoning. A special use permit is required for what? All right. So you can do motor vehicle repair only by special permit. There's a criteria for special permit that is in Section 108-133. I presume— you may wish to present any comment that you wish relevant to that criteria."

We also received a letter which should be part of the file from Gary Becker. Do you have that, the town clerk?"

Barbara Grattan: "No."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Barbara has it here. You make sure you get a copy from her. You may want to comment on that— "

Travis Keller: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "In writing or in person."

Travis Keller: "Yeah. It came to my attention last week that a letter was received and I didn't get a chance to get a copy of it yet. So— "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Why don't we get you a copy and you can respond to it because you should. It's going to be part of the file and you should have the opportunity to respond to it."

Is there anything else you'd like to say?"

Travis Keller: "No. I hope my request is granted."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Anybody— Barbara?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Are you occupying the building currently?"

Travis Keller: "Yes, I'm in the building. I'm not operating but I'm in the building. I'm waiting for this permit, so— "

Councilman Densieski: "How many employees are you going to have there?"

Travis Keller: "Just myself and one other. So if we expand, which is the plan, you know, several others if we get busy here."

Councilman Densieski: "Are you currently operating somewhere else?"

Travis Keller: "No, I'm not. I'm waiting for this."

Councilman Bartunek: "Are you looking for a job?"

Travis Keller: "You want to come work for me?"

Councilman Densieski: "Thanks, George."

Travis Keller: "Other than that, I guess that's it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right, very good. Do we have any other— you have a comment or any question or anything? Any comments from any members out there that would like to comment, members of the public?"

(Inaudible comment)

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right. You've got to come up to the— if you want to make a comment, so she can transcribe it."

Travis Keller: "Yeah, I guess, yeah, performance stuff, bolt on stuff, anything for a truck, really. We're not doing wheels and tires. I get too much competition from Tire Country and like that. No, no skis."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Councilwoman Blass: "We'll give you a copy of the letter we received."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. I'm going to close this hearing now, it being 7:42 and leave it open for written comment until close of business on Friday."

Public hearing closed: 7:42 p.m.
Left open for written comment to
December 21, 2007 at 4:30 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "Before we take comment on the resolutions we're about to consider, I'd like to take a break, Eddie is now with us, and I'd like to make some presentations. So can the board join me?"

Councilman Densieski: "Phil?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes?"

Councilman Densieski: "I'd just like to apologize for being late and I want to blame Phil Cardinale for my lateness."

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right. Thank you."

Councilman Densieski: "It's the last time I can blame you for anything."

Supervisor Cardinale: "We have two board members and the highway superintendent who after many years of service between them are leaving the town's public service. And I wanted to begin by- with Ed.

Ed has been a member of this town board for eight years as most people know and I've served with him for six years and we've gotten to know each other well during those years. And I honestly can say that over six years of service, one bitterly contested campaign, and a whole lot of discussion, I have always believed Ed is motivated as a very decent person with great integrity and motivated always by what he thought was best for the town. A lot of times he was wrong but he was motivated by what he thought was (inaudible) town.

And I think that now and I thought that then and I wanted to say that publicly. And he's also over the course of the years accomplished a great deal. For one thing he's moderated others on the board such as myself and others to consider alternatives that we might not have considered.

He's also made certain that we have a board of five people which has been always my goal and not simply three. Even when many times we were voting four to one, his influence as the one dissenting that would (inaudible) our resolutions and that's really the definition of a good board, that everyone's voice is heard and it has its impact whether you are in the majority or in the minority.

He's also- one of the few good things I can recall that came up- the '05 campaign which was entirely too bitter and personal was the rental law that was enacted thereafter which was Eddie's idea and which I adopted and which has been very effective since with an enforcement team that's (inaudible).

So I want to present this to Ed which thanks him for his eight years of service as a council person and he's assured me that he'll continue to stay active in the areas that he cares about like downtown, urban revitalization. Frankly, at this point I don't care how we do it, just that we do do it and we agree on that. And so I'm hopeful that he will come back to assist us, downtown and elsewhere.

So, Ed, thank you very much for your services."

Councilman Densieski: "A couple quick things. It really wasn't Phil's fault that I was late tonight."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you."

Councilman Densieski: "It's been my extreme pleasure and honor to serve the residents of Riverhead over the last eight years. It was a fun experience, it was a learning experience and now as a private citizen I intend to be equally involved in the community. I have a deep love, a deep attachment for this town and I just want to close by saying thank you, Mr. Supervisor and board members, and God bless America and God bless Riverhead. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I want to make the evening particularly interesting because both John for two years, and Barbara for— how many, six years, has served, if you would like to say something, John, or Barbara, feel free."

Councilman Densieski: "Come on, Barbara."

Councilwoman Blass: "I'd like to thank you, Ed, for providing me up to this point with the funniest moment I've ever had on the town board was the— and I won't repeat the comments, but it was a moment that many of us won't forget, I'm sure."

But I do want to thank you for your service. I know that you are very passionate about the things you believe in and that you've dedicated a large part of your adult life to the town of Riverhead and those of you that don't— have never done this, it takes a special kind of person to run for office and I guess that makes us part of some sort of a club. But I want to thank you and I wish you an awful lot of luck in the future."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I just want to say that when I came on the town board two years as a new town board member, if I had any questions or if I needed any guidance, I went to Ed. He would never refuse to answer any of my questions. He never refused to answer any of my questions. And it was just like George. If I had a question to ask George, I'd ask and George would give me the answer that I needed to make an honest and a good decision for the town of Riverhead. So I want to thank Ed and George."

Supervisor Cardinale: "The other town board member who is leaving as of the last day of the year is George Bartunek. George served us for four years on the town board. I feel responsible for getting him involved."

George has an (inaudible) interest and continues to have one in keeping the estuary clean and the river less polluted and our environment more promising and more protected.

He was on the CAC for what— 19 years, George. The conservation advisory council. He— I was surprised when I asked him four years ago

to run that he was willing and I was delighted. And he has made us a better board in so many ways, in his moderation and his sense of humor and his hard work and his willingness to calm us down and keep us focused on what we are trying to accomplish for the town and keep us de-focused from personality and politics and he's been really valuable. I will miss him enormously.

I think that one of the things you can say about George when reflecting on his years is that it was never about politics for George. I don't— what are you? I think he's an Independent member, an Independent party member who's been— and I don't think he's ever mentioned a political concern during the four years I've served with him.

And it's never about George. It was always about the issue. And that I think is the definition of a great public servant.

I think he's had great accomplishments in protecting the estuary. He's got a lot of legislation. You can joke about how many times we had public hearings about estuaries and the river front and (inaudible) and I think he and Andrea got singlehandedly \$500,000 worth of— you can't get a grant for starving children, but you can get more grants than anyone ever wants for (inaudible) and— what do they call those fish? So we got lots of money for them but very little for other things but George was instrumental with Andrea in that.

So his accomplishments have been many and he's promised again that he will come back and help us on the energy committee, on the conservation issues that he cares deeply about as does Barbara, and trying to get out town to be a good example of a green town, an environmentally friendly town, and I appreciate that and I appreciate his willingness to come back and help in the future and I'm going to make sure he does.

So, George, thank you."

Councilman Bartunek: "Just very quickly. I want to thank the board members that I served with. Rose Sanders when she was on the board, it was a wonderful experience honestly. It went by all too quickly and I also want to thank a lot of people, a lot of the department heads who are in the audience right now who have been extremely cooperative. Any time that I ever had any request, any questions, I could always go to anybody, any of the department heads and it was really a great experience.

So thank you very much."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Good. I'm glad."

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Councilman Densieski: "Phil, I'd like to say something about George."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Oh, yeah. I want to hear."

Councilman Densieski: "I would just like to make a comment about my colleague, George."

George and I agreed on everything. He didn't always vote with me but he agreed with me. Almost everything.

I do want to compliment George because George quietly worked hard. He didn't always have the spotlight, he didn't always have to talk. But he was in that office every single day working for the taxpayers. So I appreciate that. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Barbara."

Councilwoman Blass: "I want to echo Ed's comments and I did work very closely with George on a daily basis. I do know how dedicated he was. I know as a resident of this town, we have lost a really dedicated public servant, and while I-

Councilman Bartunek: "I'm not dead yet."

Councilwoman Blass: "I know. I have to say that I'm going to miss you terribly and come back and (inaudible). Thank you, George."

Supervisor Cardinale: "John."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I just want to say that George was always willing to help me with any chance he got to help me out. And we talked about a lot of things that happened in this town and we agreed on a lot of things and I think that's the way a town board should work. That the people should communicate with each other and try to come to common ground with each other so we do great things for this great town of Riverhead."

Councilman Bartunek: "One thing I'd like to say about the boards that I have sat on, and I guess I could include Rose on that, is that it has been a very balanced board. It gave representation of a lot of different views. And we all agreed that we were interested in the betterment of the town of Riverhead. And that's what really gives you a lot of satisfaction from doing this job."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And last but not least for sure, Mark Kwasna, who served on this board for how many years Mark- for four years before realizing what a frustrating experience that sometimes is, then went on to be highway superintendent."

I served with Mark for two years. He was a good councilman, thoughtful and productive. And Mark also had a business next door to my office in Jamesport for many years so I knew him then. He served for eight years as superintendent of highways and got us through (inaudible) got us through a lot of storms, got us through a lot of difficult icy weather, and I think we owe him a debt for doing that and for keeping the roads open in times where I'm sure you felt at times that this is just impossible, let me go back and go to sleep. But he didn't and I thank you for your service."

Mark Kwasna: "I just want to say that you must have lost a lot of sleep last night trying to come up with good things to say."

Supervisor Cardinale: "You had your moments."

Mark Kwasna: "It's been a pleasure for the past 12 years serving with most of the people here, with everybody here which started with Phil back 10 years ago when we were on the board together. I started back in 1996.

Being on the town board was a tough job. Half of the people in the town love you; half of the people in the town hate you. That's why I moved onto the highway department where the odds were about 60-40. I had a great time, I'm going to miss it, I'm going to miss the guys.

I'm not going to miss after January 1st when that first snowflake falls, I'm going to turn over and go back to sleep. And I'm going to be happy about it and start enjoying life.

I'm glad for all the support I received over the years. As highway superintendent you have to run every two years so I had to run five times in the past 12 years and it takes a toll on you. It's tough. But I enjoyed it and I figured it was time for me to move on, spend some more time with my family, and that's the reason I decided to retire. So thank you everyone."

Supervisor Cardinale: "And thank you to all three of you, again, and sincerely. Now we've got to finish this meeting and get on with business. So thank you.

Okay, we have— "

Councilman Densieski: "Does anybody have any Kleenex?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I want to know what the comment was that Barbara was alluding to. I'll find that out later.

Oh, yes, and I forgot, we're going back down again because we have one other award from— for I believe Councilman Densieski from

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Remy Bell, from the handicapped committee. So let's go down. I must have been told eight times not to forget.

You've got the floor."

Remy Bell: "-- members of our handicapped advisory committee. We want to thank Councilman Ed Densieski-- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Come on over, Ed."

Remy Bell: "It's a certificate of appreciation to Ed Densieski, for leading this all volunteer handicapped advisory committee to make sure that all handicapped residents in the town of Riverhead enjoy the same quality of life as other town residents. Eddie, thanks."

Councilman Densieski: "Thank you very much. I'm glad (inaudible). It's very important to me because we did work hard and we did make a difference. We had a lot of accomplishments over the years and this is very important to me. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Cardinale: "The resolutions which number I think 34, we'd like to take comment on from anyone who wishes to make comment on any of the resolutions.

There's one additional resolution which is a CDA resolution 18 related-- which authorizes legal action against who else, the DEC, Department of Environmental Conservation, in regard to property owned by the CDA. And that resolution will appear as #18 on the CDA and we have it here if anyone wishes a copy. We should put one out there. And, Bill, do we have that out there? Anyone who wants it should have it.

And, secondly, it will be the final resolution #1184 on the town board as well.

Okay, so we-- oh, yes, and fire away. We are-- and I know I won't have to worry about it with Sal because he is so succinct, but we have a comment, five minute rule, which I'm told we should pay attention to."

Sal Mastropolo: "Resolution 1152."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Sal Mastropolo: "First question is where's Corwell Avenue?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Eddie?"

Councilwoman Blass: "Off of Riverside Drive."

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Councilman Densieski: "Off of Riverside Drive. Correct. Do you know where the Moose is?"

Sal Mastropolo: "Yeah."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Just west of the Moose."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay. So it's actually in the estuary, not in the river. Right, George?"

Councilman Bartunek: "It's in the estuary."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay."

Councilman Bartunek: "Why, does it say river here? Does it say river?"

Sal Mastropolo: "I don't remember. That was just an inside joke between you and I. I was thinking it was above the dam because I asked Fred and he didn't know where it was and I never heard of it, so I was wondering where it was."

Councilman Bartunek: "So we got you straightened out, Sal."

Sal Mastropolo: "Yeah, good. Next question. Do we know the anticipated cost of that project?"

Councilman Densieski: "Yes. Not to exceed I think it's \$117,000, park and rec money."

Sal Mastropolo: "That was my next question. Thanks, Ed."

Councilwoman Blass: "This doesn't authorize the work. This just is a notice of completed application."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay. Thank you. Resolution 1163, the second line. Take the word two out of there. It's \$42,710.00. There's an extra word in there between seven and hundred."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Forty two thousand- "

Barbara Grattan: "What line, Sal?"

Sal Mastropolo: "The second line down- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, take the word two out."

Sal Mastropolo: "Take the word two out before the word hundred."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It should be \$42,710."

Barbara Grattan: "Yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes, thank you."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay. 1167."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Sal Mastropolo: "Shouldn't there be something in the resolution relative to the demolition costs? You're not going to leave that up there, are you?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "No. That's correct. This would be the purchase only. I think, Barbara, you had gotten an estimate, didn't you? About 200,000."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay. And the balance of the expenditure is coming out of CPF?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, that's a good question. The purchase, absent the 500,000— 500 is coming from the state; the balance out of CPF for the purchase. How about the demolition? If I can figure out a way, it will come out of CPF. Yes."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, we'll call it administration. All right, we'll call it something else but we'll try and get it out of there."

Sal Mastropolo: "1168."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Approving access, that's it. Yes, go ahead."

Sal Mastropolo: "1168, there's two public hearings scheduled for the same time, 7:15 on the 15th of January."

Councilman Bartunek: "Told you, Barbara. Told you he'd find that."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Did you correct it?"

Barbara Grattan: "No. It's up to you to—"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay, we'll have two for the same time."

Sal Mastropolo: "There's two for 7:10 as well. The Weeping Willow Motel one is at 7:10."

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Supervisor Cardinale: "Do you want to change the time, make them five minutes apart?"

Barbara Grattan: "No, they're advertised in the paper."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Oh, they're already there? Or they haven't been in there. If they're not in, we'll- "

Barbara Grattan: "If they're not in- I have a feeling they are though."

Sal Mastropolo: "And there's two for 7:05 as well."

Supervisor Cardinale: "It's going to be a busy night."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay."

Barbara Grattan: "I'll change the time if it hasn't been in the paper, Sal."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay. 1179."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Sal Mastropolo: "My first question is how many fire marshals do we have?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "We have now as of this hiring, we had one, then we had two. For the longest time we've had two and a half. And this will make us three. This half is now becoming a whole."

Sal Mastropolo: "And we have enough work for three? We were a town with none at all until Bruce Johnson came on board."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I know, I said the same thing."

Sal Mastropolo: "Now all of a sudden we have three."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, it's amazing. But, yes, we do apparently because of the Route 58 corridor and the anticipated work at EPCAL and other development. And, of yes, Barbara is pointing out. I asked the same question in the work session, changes in the code have also- big surprise- added to the burden of local government with an unfunded state mandate. You have to do this- I said the same thing. What happens if you don't have a fire marshal? I guess the people in the building department do it, code enforcement. But you've got to do it under state mandates.

In fact, not only do they- when they insist upon training which sometimes can be a week or more a year, and you have to pay them to be

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trained, they don't even pay for the training. They just insist that you have to let them go to it."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay, that's it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Anybody else have any comment on the resolutions? If not, we will consider the resolutions and then take general comment."

The CDA director is in the audience still? Would you ask Andrea to come in because there's two of these she could call, 17 and 18.

I am going to adjourn the town board meeting for a minute to open the CDA meeting."

Meeting adjourned: 8:07 p.m.

Meeting reconvened: 8:10 p.m.

Supervisor Cardinale: "Reopen the town board meeting. Ask Barbara to call Resolution 1149 through 1184."

Resolution #1149

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes publication of notice to solicit proposals for the development of a bulk study of the DC-1 zoning district downtown. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "One second, please. Yeah, I'm going to support this but I want to give some advice to the new members coming in."

I've got seven studies in my office for downtown Riverhead. I would advise the new board members to worry more about implementation than studies.

But I'll vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. This is grant funded and will be helpful. I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1150

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorizes publication of notice to solicit proposals for the development of historic guidelines. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1151

Councilman Densieski: "Highway department budget adjustment. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1152

Councilman Densieski: "Ratifies the authorization for town clerk to publish and post the attached notice of a complete application (NYSDEC 1-4730-01397/00001) Corwell Avenue town boat ramp. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "Yeah. I happen to use the ramp and if you're not familiar with it like Sal was, it's a town asset and it's in complete disrepair."

I had occasion to use it on Saturday. It really is unsafe and this is one of my legacy items. I hope Phil and the town board will go forward with this. I'd to thank Chris Fenton, she did a tremendous amount of work on it, and I really think it's a town asset. We should fix it up. It's the only access way in the Peconic River.

If you want to go to the bay, you have to go all the way to Jamesport so I really hope the board will follow through with this and will vote yes.

And I'm going to vote yes on this."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1153

Councilwoman Blass: "This ratifies the retirement of a police officer, Officer Long. And I wish him luck and I move his resolution."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Yes. And I just want to wish him good luck in whatever he does after this."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "Yeah. I want to thank Tom. He was a great cop. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I vote yes and thank him for his service and wish him well in his retirement."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1154

Councilman Bartunek: "Appoints a part time recreation aide/skatepark to the Riverhead recreation department. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1155

Councilman Bartunek: "Appoints William Welsh as the deputy town supervisor. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded. Even though we don't have the vote on this, I will second this."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. May we have a vote please?"

The Vote: "Dunleavy."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I'm going to do what I did from the beginning. I'm going to abstain."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "Yeah, I've always supported whether it was Kozakiewicz or Cardinale, I always supported the Supervisor's staff. I think he should be able to pick his own staff in his own office and I think Bill is a pretty reasonable guy.

So I'm going to vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. I am pleased to have the support of the board. This appointment will take place effective January 1st. Bill is a Republican and so I hope it sends the message that I hope to run a bi-partisan-- non-partisan government.

And I also want to take the opportunity to thank George for serving as deputy supervisor over this last year or more. He's been great. I have been very comfortable and I hope I'll be equally comfortable having Bill as a deputy to fill in when I'm not available.

So I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1156

Councilwoman Blass: "Appoints a part time recreation aide/skatepark to the Riverhead recreation department. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1157

Councilman Dunleavy: "Water department budget adjustment. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1158

Councilman Densieski: "General fund budget adjustment. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek."

Councilman Bartunek: "Yes. The only question, Barbara, and the town board that I tried to resolve this afternoon was what the \$12,000 for professional services was going to be used for."

I called Bill Rothaar and I also spoke with Ron and neither of them really knew what that money was going to be used for. Does anybody else-- and I might have-- this is for highway department. Here's what it was given for at the work session."

(Some inaudible discussion)

Councilman Bartunek: "It says necessary to cover the cost of miscellaneous consultants and overtime costs for leaf pickup in the highway department. I don't know if you want to wait. I don't know."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Personnel-- I think what Barbara is pointing out is that the next three after personnel services are offset by the 5800. Okay. And the personnel services is 12 going to professional services. We're taking it from personnel going to professional but it's not highway. It's another budget that it's coming out of. Yes. Because you can tell by the number."

So whatever it is, it's not a highway consultant. It's another kind of consultant. And he did-- I did talk to him about this. I'm comfortable with passing it."

Councilman Bartunek: "Okay, I vote yes."

Supervisor Cardinale: "But I will find out for you exactly what it is."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1159

Councilman Bartunek: "Nutrition department budget adjustment. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1160

Councilwoman Blass: "This is a budget adjustment for the police fund. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1161

Councilman Dunleavy: "Sanitation- STOP program budget adjustment. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1162

Councilman Densieski: "2007 police highway patrol JA grant budget adoption. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1163

Councilman Bartunek: "John, you wanted to make a motion to table it."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I want to make a motion to table this one. And take it off the table for now."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Sure. I think you wanted to check to make sure that the association was-- had no concerns about this. Right?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "Yes."

Councilwoman Blass: "Second to table."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded to table for that purpose. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is tabled."

Resolution #1164

Councilwoman Blass: "This ratifies the appointment of a part time recreation aide as a volleyball attendant Level III to the Riverhead Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1165

Councilman Dunleavy: "Ratifies the appointment of a part time recreation aide volleyball attendant Level III to the Riverhead Recreation Department. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

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The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1166

Councilman Densieski: "Authorize the publication of a help wanted ad for automotive equipment operators. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Is this for one operator or several. It says operators."

Councilman Densieski: "I think it's one actually, John."

Councilman Bartunek: "It says individuals. It is plural."

Supervisor Cardinale: "John-- there-- I had no-- I had that same question and I wanted to get a clarification. But I believe that it is more than one because Rothaar had discussed that they can hire up to three or four in January but the other hires because of the way it was set up, have to be hired later in the year or part timers or something."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "So it's more than one but it should really clarify as to how many. It's up to four."

Barbara Grattan: "Is your vote yes?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Bartunek, yes; Blass."

Councilwoman Blass: "Yes. But please don't send certified copies of the resolution. Okay, thanks."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1167

Councilman Bartunek "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post public notice to consider the purchase of a parcel of land

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located in the town of Riverhead known as the Weeping Willow Motel, purported owner James R. Woodhull. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1168

Councilman Densieski: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post public notice to consider a local law to amend Chapter 108 Article XLV entitled Zoning of the Riverhead town code, outdoor lighting. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "Yeah. I'd like to thank the Dark Skies Committee. I'm not going to be here so I'll say my thank you's now.

The Dark Sky Committee, Chris Fenton and Dan McCormack. The town truly has two experts on Dark Skies lighting and it's a really good thing for the community. It's going to take a while to implement. It's one of my legacy items."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Councilman Densieski: "So when you vote on it, you can give me a kind word."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes."

Councilman Densieski: "This is the effort of a lot, you know, a lot of people's time and effort and I want to thank them all and I hope it gets adopted in January. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. This is a great consensus document between the engineering department and Dark Skies Committee. They worked very hard as did Ed. And I'm voting yes."

Barbara Grattan: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1169

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post a public notice for a local law to consider amendments to Chapter 101 entitled Vehicles and Traffic of the Riverhead town code, Article III, traffic regulations. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1170

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorize the town of Riverhead to order an appraisal for property located at 1295 Pulaski Street, Riverhead, New York, purported owner Riverhead Building Supply Corp. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Councilman Bartunek: "Barbara, I'm not-- are you sure we have the address right. 1295? 1295 might be the retail building. I think 1295 might be-- I'm just not sure of that address. Located on Pulaski Street because you do have the property-- "

(Some discussion among the board members)

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, just delete the 1295 if the tax map number is right. And, Bill, you want to check that tomorrow and make sure we've got the right tax map number. I don't want to pay for an appraisal on the wrong piece."

Barbara Grattan: "You want to eliminate 1295?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. So it's on Pulaski Street. We believe it to be that tax map number. Let's verify."

Resolution #1171

Barbara Grattan: "Okay, 1171, Councilman Densieski."

Councilman Densieski: "Adopts a local law to amend chapter 108 entitled Zoning of the Riverhead town code, section 108-95 subdivision regulations - general provisions. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1172

Councilman Bartunek: "Adopts a local law to amend Chapter 108 entitled Zoning of the Riverhead town code, Section 108-129 - site plan review. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1173

Councilwoman Blass: "Adopts a local law for the addition of Chapter 110 entitled Stormwater Management and Erosion and Sediment Control Regulations of the Riverhead town code. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1174

Councilman Dunleavy: "Adopts a local law for the addition of Chapter 109 entitled Prohibition of Illicit Discharges and Connections to the town of Riverhead Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) of the Riverhead town code. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

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The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1175

Councilman Densieski: "Amends Resolution #854 of 9/5/07 approving the site plan of Island International. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "Seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1176

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes the release of a bond of Elizabeth Strebek. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1177

Councilwoman Blass: "This awards a bid for the Calverton Enterprise Park Riverhead water district. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1178

Councilman Dunleavy: "Awards bid Route 58 Hotel Plaza sewer connection Riverhead Sewer District. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second the motion."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1179

Councilman Densieski: "Appoints fire marshal I. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1180

Councilman Bartunek: "Authorizes legal action against the owners, occupants and agents of the property located at 230 Deep Hole Road, Calverton, New York, tax map number 0600-080.00-01.00-006.000. So moved."

Councilwoman Blass: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1181

Councilwoman Blass: "Authorizes a public hearing for a local law setting service connection fees for the Riverhead Water District. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

Barbara Grattan: "I think this is going to be wrong because it is the 2nd day of January at 2:05 and it's not going to have enough time to be in the paper because there's no publication of the News Review next week. Is it a local law- public hearing for a local law, five days it has to be in. All right?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "So we're looking at 1181. Is that what you're talking about?"

Barbara Grattan: "1181. John, there's no publication of the News Review at all next week, right?"

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John: "That is correct. Thursday, the 20th- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "All right. Then change it to the next-
the 15th."

Barbara Grattan: "January 15th?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay, that's cool. January 15th. I don't
know what time it's going to be but we'll figure out a time- 7:05.
We'll make them all at the same time."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, 7:05."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay."

The Vote: "Dunleavy."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Yes, as amended."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes;
Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1182

Councilman Dunleavy: "Authorize the town clerk to publish and
post notice of public hearing special permit of historic village of
Jamesport, professional offices. So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "That's 1182? How come mine doesn't say
that?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah, mine says ratifies correction of a
public hearing notice authorizes in resolution 1142-07. All right so
there's a substitute. Okay. That's the substitution? Fine."

Councilwoman Blass: "I'll second it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. May we have a vote,
please?"

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski,
yes; Cardinale."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yes. This clarifies that they are
looking for professional offices as a use not just two of them but as
a use in any of the buildings. I vote yes."

Barbara Grattan: "Okay, that resolution is adopted."

Resolution #1183

Councilman Densieski: "Pay bills. So moved."

Councilman Bartunek: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Barbara Grattan: "Now we've got 1183 which is the Community Development- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "1184. Pays bills is 1183."

Barbara Grattan: "Yup."

Resolution #1184

Supervisor Cardinale: "1184 authorizes legal action against New York State Department of Environmental Conservation."

Barbara Grattan: "Councilwoman Blass."

Councilman Bartunek: "So moved."

Councilman Densieski: "Second. Oh, I'm sorry."

Councilwoman Blass: "That's okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded."

Barbara Grattan: "Who was it?"

Councilman Bartunek: "I moved it."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Bartunek and seconded by Ed."

The Vote: "Dunleavy, yes; Bartunek, yes; Blass, yes; Densieski, yes; Cardinale, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Supervisor Cardinale: "That concludes as I understand the resolutions before us. We'd like to take general comment- I'd like to note that incoming board member Jim Wooten is here. Tim Buckley has been here in the past. They're getting ready. How are you doing, Jim? And I'd like to open for public comment on any matter within our purview. I'd like you to limit your comments to five minutes so we

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can all go Christmas shopping. Go ahead. I'm buying you all a gift, yes."

Sal Mastropolo: "Sal Mastropolo, Calverton. Quick question. I see Andrea is leaving."

Supervisor Cardinale: "She is indeed."

Sal Mastropolo: "We're advertising for a replacement?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "We are."

Sal Mastropolo: "I hope we don't plan on paying the replacement Andrea's outgoing salary."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Not unless they have the qualifications which is unlikely."

San Mastropolo: "And ready to hit the floor running the first day."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Yeah. Twenty years of experience, I don't think we're going to find- "

Sal Mastropolo: "George, that would be a good job for you."

Councilman Bartunek: "No."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay, second question. Do we have an idea how much revenue is being generated from the sign code enforcement officer?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I do have it on the department's enforcement because I get them monthly. But I haven't seen anything from the sign code. Leroy, do you have any figures yet? He's a part timer and that's his whole job but I don't know honestly. But I'd like to find out so I will and I'll let you know."

Sal Mastropolo: "Thank you. And where do we stand on the town-wide reassessment?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I think pretty much the way it- "

Sal Mastropolo: "I'm going to keep bringing it up every meeting."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Well, I can tell you- "

Sal Mastropolo: "I have an appointment with an attorney tomorrow."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. You- that might be more fruitful than this discussion."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't think we have support on the board, both incoming or outgoing."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay. Last question. The Colwell Avenue ramp. You are going to go out to bid. I just hope that the same person doesn't get it that got Wading River Creek and I think did Iron Pier. Okay? And the engineer should spend a little bit more time the way this thing is designed.

Iron Pier at low tide, it's almost impossible to get in your boat from the ramp, from the concrete. I mean it's like a three foot jump down into it and you can't walk the boat around to the beach because of the pilings that are there. Okay, that's the only problem that I noticed. There's nothing floating there. Okay. In Wading River Creek we all know the problems there."

Councilman Densieski: "Phil, I can respond do that if you don't mind."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Sure."

Councilman Densieski: "Chris Fenton our assistant deputy town engineer did a fantastic job laying this out. She did the engineering work. And you will be able to use this even at low tide where as now you can only use it basically at high tide and your trailer will still go off a one foot drop off. This one is well done."

Sal Mastropolo: "Okay, thank you."

Councilman Densieski: "Yes. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Okay. Come up, please."

Ron Pisco: "Board members, Phil, I'm back."

Supervisor Cardinale: "How are you?"

Ron Pisco: "This is obviously- "

Barbara Grattan: "Please state your name."

Ron Pisco: "Ron Pisco. I live in the town of Riverhead. Obviously you know why I'm here. We don't want Riverhead Resorts, as we keep going on over this."

I want to know since when do four people, actually five, excluding Eddie, when did you four people dictate what we want? When do you not listen to the voice of the people? We wanted this, you didn't listen. We wanted Rexcorp, we wanted that project. Why were you not listening to what we say?

You people are not judges, you not our president. We put you in that position up there. We trusted you with it. And you're destroying what we asked for.

So I'd like to know why will you not put this to a referendum and resubmit. And I know they're here and it don't bother me. I'd like that kind of an answer."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I'm considering all questions rhetorical so that we don't get involved in a lengthy discussion. The subject has been much discussed.

You don't do- the reason you elect representatives and a representative democracy is- "

Ron Pisco: "We trusted you what you told us."

Supervisor Cardinale: "The reason you elect representatives is to administer the government. You do not elect representatives to administer referendums on every question. I'll leave it at that because it could go on for a lengthy discussion, but that's why we're not having a referendum on this or a million other issues."

Ron Pisco: "So you're just going to move forward with this and just like the 27th, isn't that a contract signing? That is not a public hearing because in last week's News Review, it said it's a contract signing. You want it done before the 1st of the year which I believe is wrong."

Supervisor Cardinale: "The 27th is a public hearing. The 28th is when we will seek to consider whether I'll have authority to sign the contract and to determine that based upon the evidence at the hearing on the 27th, that the applicant, Riverhead Resorts, is qualified by experience and eligible by experience in capital to be a sponsor in an urban renewal project. So the 27th is a hearing. The 28th will be, I hope, a vote if the hearing record is complete."

Ron Pisco: "Why the rush?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "Because this board has worked with this issue for more than a year."

Ron Pisco: "But it's taken you 10 years- "

Supervisor Cardinale: "Actually nine years."

Ron Pisco: "Ten years to finally come to a conclusion and seven months and then you decide to put it through. When Riverhead Resorts wasn't even involved in this in the beginning."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Just think. Don't you remember the News Review's editorial that we should be more decisive as a board? That's what we're doing."

Ron Pisco: "You should be. You should listen to the voice of the people just like you said to Ed before."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I'm keeping the press happy. They want us to be decisive, we'll be decisive."

Ron Pisco: "I don't care about the press. I care about us, the people of Riverhead, the voices of Riverhead. Not what the press says, not what you say. We matter. Not everything else. And what we want should matter."

Eddie, on a personal note, I know you a long time. Congratulations. Good luck with what you've got to do."

Councilman Densieski: "Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you. Any other comment on anything within our purview? If there is, I'll take it. Marty, would you like to say something?"

Martin Johnson: "My name is Martin Johnson. I'm from the Long Island Motorsports Association. You guys know me. I was going to say I had a question about is it still going to be a mountain or what's going on?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "The proposal is the same as has been discussed over the last year."

Martin Johnson: "So it's going to be a mountain. Do we know how they are going to construct the mountain?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "No, I do not know how they are going to construct— I certainly hope they do though before they do start."

Martin Johnson: "I think we should know about that before it starts."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I don't know frankly and everybody that builds anything in this town, I don't check the construction out."

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They— that's checked out through the site plan and the building department process."

Martin Johnson: "Right. But wouldn't you be interested in how they're going to make the mountain?"

Supervisor Cardinale: "I'm fascinated by the mountain. But there is a line in the contract that's on file in case you want to look at it, which does indicate clearly that the mountain is part of their desired project but not essential to it and if it is not possible to obtain the approvals they will move forward with something else complying with zoning."

Martin Johnson: "All right. And as you know we've on our behalf had letters sent in to you guys and you know the public's response on what they wanted. And I'm just also curious on why is that still being ignored. I know you guys got at least 6,000 letters from us, at least, that we mailed to yourselves. I know one time you signed for it, Mr. Cardinale, and I believe your secretary, Jennifer, signed for the other box.

Then I know Mr. Krupsy (phonetic) also a Riverhead town resident had at least 200 letters from the people in his community which is also in the town of Riverhead for people that wanted the Rexcorp proposal."

Supervisor Cardinale: "I wish that we could have them both. In fact, I tried to have both but Rexcorp declined."

Martin Johnson: "But the people don't want both. They really want Rexcorp and not Riverhead Resorts. You know. And I also— looking at your book here, keeping up with what I've been saying all along is let's keep the motor sports history alive on Long Island just as it's seen here in the first picture.

Exactly what's here is, it says did you know that Riverhead was the site of the stock car derby on September 29, 1909? Just so you guys know that means that automobile racing started here, not down south, okay. And also the first race to start here was 1900 which would have been the Vanderbilt Cup which was also the first race in the United States, again here on Long Island. But we want to just bury our history as if it's some racist thing that you guys just wanted to squash in the dirt. And lose everywhere across this island.

Bring up the word racing, and people have stupid ignorant comments. But like it says here, the course is almost 23 miles and stretched from Roanoke Avenue south to Main Street. Then east to Mattituck, west on Sound Avenue and finally back to Roanoke Avenue starting point. The highest speed was in a Buick driven by Lewis Chevrolet. He reached 76 miles an hour. Lewis Chevrolet also made

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Chevrolet, you know, which I'm not sure if anybody here is driving a Chevrolet, but there's the guy who owns and made it and found it. And it all started here and you, Mr. Bartunek, you are part of the automobile antique historical society, aren't you?"

Councilman Bartunek: "Yeah."

Martin Johnson: "Well, what would you rather see? I mean, come on, this is our history. This is what put Long Island on the map and you want to take us off the map and put us on the side and put that over there and then you're going to have to change the picture and put some God awful looking mountain in here.

All right. You know, not to mention that that ain't green. You guys need to go call LIPA and find out how much oil they need to burn to keep that place cold. Riverhead will not be a green town, not at all. Thank you."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Thank you, Marty. Appreciate it. If there is any comment, I'll take it. If there is not further comment, I appreciate your coming and I look forward to seeing you at the work session Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Thank you."

Councilman Densieski: "Merry Christmas."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Merry Christmas to you."

Meeting adjourned: 8:40 p.m.